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Second Place + Publication	<b>Ifeoluwa O.</b>	Matt Haig	Zionsville Middle School	Zionsville
Third Place + Publication	<b>Izzy D.</b>	Sharon Draper	Fall Creek Intermediate	Fishers
Honorable Mention + Publication	<b>Natalia P.</b>	Shannon Hale	Fall Creek Intermediate	Fishers
Honorable Mention + Publication	<b>Avery S.</b>	Markus Zusak	St. John the Baptist Catholic School	Newburgh
Honorable Mention + Publication	<b>Morgan T.</b>	Suzanne Collins	Crestview Elementary	Indianapolis
Publication	<b>Ava B.</b>	Eleanor Estes	Holy Trinity Catholic School	Jasper
Publication	<b>Joseph B.</b>	Rodman Philbrick	New Palestine Intermediate	New Palestine
Publication	<b>Liron B.</b>	Kwame Alexander	Hasten Hebrew Academy	Indianapolis
Publication	<b>Sam B.</b>	Alexandra Diaz	Fall Creek Intermediate	Fishers
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Publication	<b>Redmund E.</b>	R. J. Palacio	Saint Susanna School	Plainfield
Publication	<b>Nathan H.</b>	Indiana Author, John David Anderson	St. John the Baptist Catholic School	Newburgh
Publication	<b>Chase H.</b>	Tim Green	Laurel Elementary	Laurel
Publication	<b>Evan H.</b>	Jeff Kinney	St. John the Baptist Catholic School	Newburgh
Publication	<b>Kaitlyn H.</b>	Gordon Korman	Zionsville Middle School	Zionsville
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Publication	<b>Anna L.</b>	Cynthia Kadohata	Zionsville Middle School	Zionsville
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Publication	<b>Kaelyn M.</b>	Amanda Gorman	Mary E. Castle Elementary	Indianapolis
Publication	<b>Hibah M.</b>	Indiana Author, John David Anderson	New Palestine Intermediate	New Palestine
Publication	<b>Myth</b>	Sayantani DasGupta	Crestview Elementary	Indianapolis
Publication	<b>Jones N.</b>	Antoine de Saint-Exupry	Prairie Trace Elementary	Carmel
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Publication	<b>Luis R.</b>	Alan Gratz	St. John the Baptist School	Fort Wayne
Publication	<b>Tori J. R.</b>	Katherine Applegate	Zionsville Middle School	Zionsville
Publication	<b>Sloane S.</b>	Dusti Bowling	Forest Dale Elementary	Carmel
Publication	<b>Eli S.</b>	Ray Bradbury	New Palestine Intermediate	New Palestine
Publication	<b>Rhea S.</b>	James Trefil	Daniel Wertz Elementary	Evansville
Publication	<b>Abigail S.</b>	Patricia Polacco	Zionsville Middle School	Zionsville
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Publication	<b>John (Jack) T.</b>	Alan Gratz	Zionsville Middle School	Zionsville
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First Place + Publication	<b>Naomi C.</b>	Sara Leicht-Weinstein	Hasten Hebrew Academy	Indianapolis
Second Place + Publication	<b>Meg W.</b>	Jason Reynolds	St. John the Baptist Catholic School	Newburgh
Third Place + Publication	<b>Shamyant B.</b>	Jhumpa Lahiri	Honey Creek Middle School	Terre Haute
Honorable Mention + Publication	<b>Bernadine D.</b>	Ibi Zoboi	Jasper Middle School	Portersville
Honorable Mention + Publication	<b>Jalynn K.</b>	Frances Hodgson Burnett	Triton Central Middle School	Fairland
Honorable Mention + Publication	<b>Holly P.</b>	Angie Thomas	Jasper Middle School	Portersville
Honorable Mention + Publication	<b>Maximo L.</b>	Mary Pope Osborne	Central Middle School	Columbus
Publication	<b>Isaac A.</b>	Lincoln Pierce	Zionsville Middle School	Zionsville
Publication	<b>Chloe A.</b>	Neal Schusterman	Southridge Middle School	Huntingburg
Publication	<b>Max B.</b>	Tim Green	Jasper Middle School	Portersville
Publication	<b>Payton C.</b>	Indiana Author, John Green	Jasper Middle School	Portersville
Publication	<b>Bo C.</b>	Terry Miles	Triton Central Middle School	Fairland
Publication	<b>Abigail D.</b>	Ned Vizzini	Central Middle School	Columbus
Publication	<b>Aryav D.</b>	Yann Martel	Merle Sidener Gifted Academy	Indianapolis
Publication	<b>Salsri D.</b>	Lois Lowry	Central Middle School	Columbus
Publication	<b>Braeden F.</b>	Steve Berry	Central Middle School	Columbus
Publication	<b>Landrey F.</b>	Carl Deuker	Jasper Middle School	Portersville
Publication	<b>Matanya G.</b>	George Orwell	Hasten Hebrew Academy	Indianapolis
Publication	<b>Maxwell H.</b>	Suzanne Collins	Central Middle School	Columbus
Publication	<b>Olivia H.</b>	Dave Pelzer	Jasper Middle School	Portersville
Publication	<b>Laura H.</b>	Angie Thomas	Castle South Middle School	Newburgh
Publication	<b>Gracie H.</b>	Kate DiCamillo	Triton Central Middle School	Fairland
Publication	<b>Molly K.</b>	Jory John	Jasper Middle School	Portersville
Publication	<b>Ellie L.</b>	John Feinstein	Jasper Middle School	Portersville
Publication	<b>Lyla M.</b>	Raina Telgemeier	Triton Central Middle School	Fairland
Publication	<b>Pia R.</b>	Ally Carter	Central Middle School	Columbus
Publication	<b>Mio R.</b>	Benjamin Alire Sáenz	Central Middle School	Columbus
Publication	<b>Aksh R.</b>	Dr. Seuss	Central Middle School	Columbus
Publication	<b>Eleni S.</b>	Malala Yousafzai	St. John the Baptist Catholic School	Newburgh
Publication	<b>Ruby S.</b>	Jessica Khoury	St. John the Baptist School	Fort Wayne
Publication	<b>Elodie T.</b>	K. A. Holt	St. John the Baptist Catholic School	Newburgh

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Publication	<b>Helen VanFossen</b>	Raina Telgemeier	St. John the Baptist School	Fort Wayne
Publication	<b>Emily Walborn</b>	Jennifer Nielsen	Zionsville Middle School	Zionsville
Publication	<b>Ava Wilson</b>	Carrie Firestone	Central Middle School	Columbus
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Second Place + Publication	<b>Abby G.</b>	Brandon Sanderson	Homeschooled	Fort Wayne
Third Place + Publication	<b>Amelia A.</b>	Howard Zinn	Oldenburg Academy	Oldenburg
Indiana Author Letter Prize + Publication	<b>BethAnn F.</b>	Indiana Author, Gene Stratton-Porter	Fairchild Academy	Madison
Honorable Mention + Publication	<b>Leo A.</b>	Homer	Forest Park High School	Ferdinand
Honorable Mention + Publication	<b>Oliver P.</b>	Harper Lee	Illiana Christian Academy	Dyer
Honorable Mention + Publication	<b>Christine D.</b>	Veronica Roth	Illiana Christian Academy	Dyer
Publication	<b>Jessica B.</b>	Carolyn Keene	Illiana Christian Academy	Dyer
Publication	<b>Kylee B.</b>	Nicholas Sparks	Franklin County High School	Brookville
Publication	<b>Emma D.</b>	J. K. Rowling	Illiana Christian Academy	Dyer
Publication	<b>Grace D.</b>	Trenton Lee Stewart	Southwood High School	Wabash
Publication	<b>Alyssa F.</b>	Omar Mohamed and Victoria Jamieson	Fingerle Foundations Homeschool	Roanoke
Publication	<b>Lacy (Leo) F.</b>	Markus Zusak	Benton Central	Oxford
Publication	<b>Cara G.</b>	Patricia Highsmith	Benton Central	Oxford
Publication	<b>Grace G.</b>	Jerry Spinelli	Illiana Christian Academy	Dyer
Publication	<b>Anna H.</b>	William P. Young	Oldenburg Academy	Oldenburg
Publication	<b>Jyllian K.</b>	Ray Bradbury	Columbia City High School	Columbia City
Publication	<b>Madison M.</b>	Jane Austen	Franklin County High School	Brookville
Publication	<b>Olivia O.</b>	Roald Dahl	Illiana Christian Academy	Dyer
Publication	<b>William O.</b>	Angie Thomas	Valparaiso High School	Valparaiso
Publication	<b>Kiley R.</b>	Lois Lowry	Franklin County High School	Brookville
Publication	<b>Hannah S.</b>	Dave Pelzer	Illiana Christian Academy	Dyer
Publication	<b>Madesyn S.</b>	Harper Lee	Franklin County High School	Brookville
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Indiana Author Letter Prize + Publication	BethAnn F.	Indiana Author, Gene Stratton-Porter	Fairchild Academy	Madison
Publication	Alyssa F.	Omar Mohamed and Victoria Jamieson	Fingerle Foundations Homeschool	Roanoke
Honorable Mention + Publication	Leo A.	Homer	Forest Park High School	Ferdinand
Publication	Kylee B.	Nicholas Sparks	Franklin County High School	Brookville
Publication	Madison M.	Jane Austen	Franklin County High School	Brookville
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